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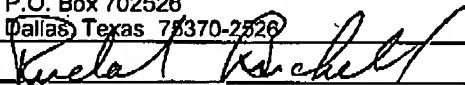
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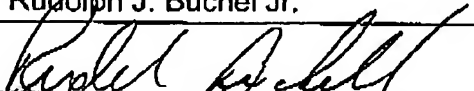
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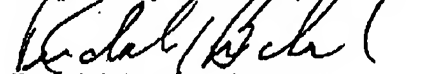
INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Sirs:

Applicants' representative initiated a telephonic interview on November 15, 2004 with Examiner Terry Cunningham for a status inquiry. The Examiner stated that the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has no record of receiving response mailed by applicant in October. The examiner suggested faxing the response.

DATE: November 23, 2004

Respectfully submitted,



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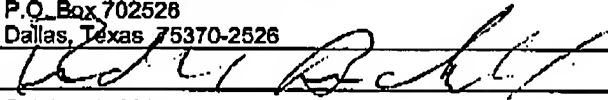
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INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Sirs:

Applicants' representative initiated a telephonic interview on September 21, 2004 with Examiner Terry Cunningham concerning the double patent rejections of claim 1. Specifically, the Applicants' representative stated that the parent case, U.S. Patent Application No. 09/668,681 (now U.S. Patent No. 6,731,151), was subject to an election of species to the sole invention shown in FIG. 9, and which was maintained throughout the prosecution of that case. Applicants' representative reminded the Examiner in the interview that the Examiner made the election requirement final following a traversal by Applicants' representative. Additionally, Applicants' representative stated that limitations now claimed in claim 1 were previously presented in the parent case, but withdrawn at the insistence of the Examiner that the claimed subject matter be directed solely to the invention shown in FIG. 9.

The Examiner agreed with the statements and stated that the double patenting rejections could be overcome by a showing that the presently claimed subject matter is directed to an invention shown in a figure other than FIG. 9. Applicants' representative agreed to direct remarks to that issue in the upcoming response.

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Applicants' representative thanks the Examiner for promptly granting the interview and discussing the issues in this case.

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